UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF TEXAS DALLAS DIVISION

AMERICAN ALLIANCE FOR EQUAL RIGHTS,

Plaintiff,

v.

Case No. 3:23-cv-01877-L

PERKINS COIE LLP,

Defendant.

STIPULATION OF DISMISSAL

Per Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 41(a)(1)(A)(ii), the parties stipulate to the following:

- 1. Plaintiff filed this suit on August 22, 2023, challenging Defendant's 1L and 2L Diversity Fellowships. Those fellowships required applicants to, among other things, be "members of a group historically underrepresented in the legal profession."
- 2. In response to Plaintiff's motion for a preliminary injunction, Defendant filed an opposition and attached sworn declarations from its managing partner, director of legal recruiting, and chief diversity and inclusion officer. *See* App'x (Doc. 30) at 4-7, 12-23. What follows comes from those sworn declarations.
- 3. In September 2023, Defendant's executive committee voted to replace the then-existing diversity fellowship programs with a single, new Diversity & Inclusion Fellowship Program.
- 4. Membership in a group historically underrepresented in the legal profession is not required under the new program. Defendant has no intention of reverting to a summer associate fellowship program that requires an applicant to be a member of a historically underrepresented group.
- 5. The new program does not ask or require applicants to identify their race when applying.

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- 6. Under the new program, applicants' race is not among the factors that will be considered, except to the extent contemplated by the Supreme Court in *Students for Fair Admissions, Inc. v. President & Fellows of Harvard Coll.*, 600 U.S. 181, 230-31 (2023).
 - 7. This case is hereby dismissed, with each side to bear its own fees and costs.

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